WINTER EDITION 2020

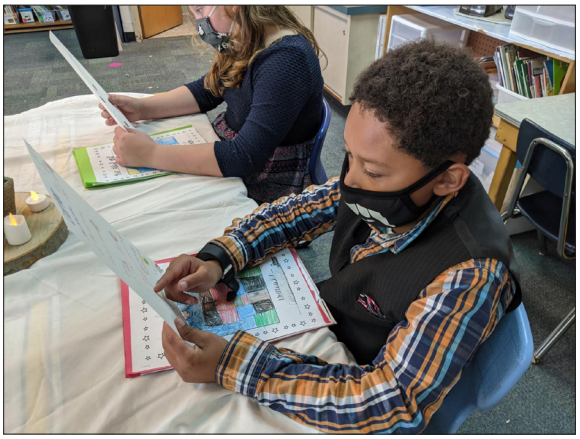
LAKESHORE LIGHT

AP US History students met (virtually) with their German partners at Gustav-Heinemann-Oberschule in Berlin.

Join us in engaging the minds, spirits and talents of our students and teachers.

Read the LEF insert in this newsletter for more information.

Grounded in Tradition – Committed to Excellence



The mission of Lakeshore Public Schools, in partnership with families and the community, is to guide students toward achieving educational excellence by engaging, inspiring and empowering them to think, learn and pursue their individual passions with knowledge, confidence, and integrity – the foundation of their future.

2020-2021 Board of Education Regular Meetings

Regular Board meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 5:30 P.M. in the Middle School Media Center. *(Please visit our website for VIRTUAL meeting information.)*

December 14, 2020
January 11, 2021
February 8, 2021
March 8, 2021
*April 19, 2021
May 10, 2021
June 14, 2021

*The April meeting will be held on the third Monday due to Spring Recess.

Aluminum Tabs Benefiting Ronald McDonald Houses

-- Full Circle With Alumni Haley Bradley Childress

What started out as simple way to help families in need has come full circle for Haley Bradley Childress.

Haley Bradley Childress and family.

In 1999 Haley, then a fourth grader at Hollywood Elementary, had a dream to help others and improve the environment.

At the time, Haley's Uncle Patrick was gravely ill with cancer and being treated at Loyola Hospital in Chicago, IL. Patrick needed to have family members close by at all times due to his condition. The Ronald McDonald House offered lodging at low to no cost.

Ronald McDonald Houses are run mostly on donations and fundraising. They help defray the cost of lodging for families with children who are hospitalized and receiving treatments. Recycling tabs, at that time, brought in over $20,000 in revenue for them each year.

As a child, Haley realized she could collect tabs from neighbors and friends, and soon decided to ask her Lancer family to join in the quest. That was just the beginning!

All three of the Lakeshore elementary schools, the middle, and the high school got involved. As an incentive, whichever school collected the most tabs was awarded the "Haley Bradley Pop Tab Collection" traveling plaque. After seeing how many tabs were collected, Haley continued the project as she advanced through middle and high school. During her senior year, Haley's mission was to collect 1000 pounds. She got very close to reaching that goal! Haley, with the help of many, continues to hold the record for most donations as a student.

In 2015, Haley's sister gave birth to two micro preemies born at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, IN. Haley became the proud aunt of Margot (1lb 10oz)

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RONALD MCDONALD HOUSES CONTINUED

and Elise (1lb 4oz). Haley's sister stayed at the Ronald McDonald House there, and again in Grand Rapids, when the twins were transferred to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. They stayed for a total of 6½ months before going home.

Haley Bradley Childress when she was a fourth grader at Lakeshore.

Things came full circle in 2019. Haley, was pregnant and due in November. She went into early labor and delivered on July 31 at 23 weeks. Her son Cole weighed 1lb 3oz and was given a 10% chance of survival.

Across the street from the hospital was a Ronald McDonald House, where Haley and her husband stayed while Cole was receiving care. At five months he was transferred to Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, IN. They stayed at a Ronald McDonald House there as well. After seven months, Cole got to go home with Haley and Drew in Warsaw, IN. Cole is now a thriving, crawling miracle!

The Ronald McDonald House staff currently requests $10 daily to stay -- that includes a private room with a private bath and three meals a day. No one is turned away due to inability to pay.

Haley graduated from Lakeshore High School in 2008. She then headed off to Grand Valley State University. Her parents decided to keep the tabs collection project going. To date almost 9000 lbs have been collected and recycled (tabs of every color and size are accepted). All proceeds are sent directly to the Ronald McDonald Houses in Michigan.

We are asking that you continue to collect tabs and drop them off at any Lakeshore Elementary School.

The traveling plaque is currently hung at Hollywood Elementary School. At the end of the school year, tabs will be weighed, and this year's winner will be announced.

Please help us in our effort to support families in need as we continue to pay it forward.

Thank you!

A huge shout out to HCM Warehouse (Harbor Country Mission) for donating school supplies to Hollywood Elementary. We appreciate your kindness!

My MealTime

Lakeshore Schools has partnered with *My MealTime*, a fast, secure online service for making credit or debit card deposits and monitoring your student's lunch account.

mymealtime.com

Download the mobile app
Use your device's web browser and go to mymealtime.com. If you're on a mobile device, from the My MealTime sign-in screen, choose the appropriate button to download the My MealTime app.

Easy steps to use *My MealTime*

Step 1: Register. Click or tap the Register button and follow the onscreen prompts to create your *My MealTime* account.

Step 2: Link Your Student. Click or tap the 'Add Student' button, then find your student's school. Link them to your profile by using their student ID number that was provided by your student's school.

Step 3: Make a Deposit. You may choose to store your credit/ debit card for quick and easy repeat use.

Lakeshore Schools Meal Programs

Proudly providing students with quality meals

Middle School Food Service Staff-The Friendly Pirates!!

On August 31, 2020, the USDA granted a waiver to extend access to free meals for students at school. The U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue stated, **"As our nation reopens and people return to work it remains critical our children continue to receive safe, healthy, and nutritious food."** This waiver has been extended until the end of the school year.

All Lakeshore students are eligible to receive one free breakfast and one free lunch each on regularly scheduled school days. These two free meals must contain the necessary items that would qualify for reimbursement. Therefore, a la carte and such meals do not qualify. In addition, if a second meal or drink is requested (typically high school) then these meals and/or drinks are available to purchase at regular prices. If you bring your lunch, and want to purchase a drink, these are available for $.60 cents. This waiver also applies to Virtual students; they are eligible to receive one free breakfast and one free lunch. Pick up is at the high school on Mondays (three breakfasts and three lunches) and Wednesdays (two breakfasts and two lunches). The time for pick up is 5 P.M.- 6 P.M. Please wear a mask and social distance. With colder weather coming, please wait in your car if there are more than three people in line.

Please continue to fill out free/reduced meal applications as the District needs to know who may qualify for free or reduced meals for additional programs. This information is used for various grants and other programs such as the EBT cards.

Thank you, and please call me at 269-428-1400 with any questions.
Pam Greiffendorf, Food Service Director

The Hollywood Garden Keeps On Thriving

The Hollywood Elementary School Garden is a priceless resource for Lakeshore students and the community.

Outdoor learning spaces boast numerous academic and behavioral benefits that are especially helpful with the current Covid-19 restrictions.

The 0.4 acre garden has numerous fruit trees, a pond, an alphabet flower garden, tool sheds, vegetable beds, and a kitchen cottage. The goal of the garden space is to provide outdoor learning opportunities for all ages and all academic subjects, not just science. The kitchen cottage is a space where students can process produce and prepare healthy meals. Adjacent to the garden, the 0.75 acre, Hollywood Arboretum is a tranquil space with many native tree species providing shade and quaint classroom settings. The commitment of students, teachers, volunteers, and the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation over the past 26 years has established and maintained a cornerstone resource of the Hollywood Elementary experience.

The future of the Hollywood Garden is bold and exciting! Dane Rasmussen has recently begun his work as Hollywood's garden educator. His stipend is provided by a grant from the Community Wellness Endowment through Spectrum Health Lakeland Foundation. He has been instrumental in creating a new vision for the garden.

There are many infrastructure ideas being considered to improve the space and its academic capacity such as an expanded greenhouse, aquaponics system, passive geothermal heating, rainwater collection, and solar food dehydrators. Those projects are being driven by a new focus on permaculture in the garden. In the past, various plants were grown in separate spaces mimicking larger agriculture practices. The new approach will integrate symbiotic plant species into diverse growing spaces to promote biodiversity and sustainable resource management in the limited space. Through incremental permaculture changes in the garden and arboretum less maintenance and labor will be required while plant health and productivity will improve.

As winter approaches the garden is STILL ALIVE! Students have already been collecting seeds and cloning plants to be kept inside until spring. Garden classes will be both outside and in the classroom depending on the weather. The possible greenhouse addition could extend the growing season in both fall and spring allowing students to taste more of their hard work before summer break.

We are always looking for volunteers for the Hollywood Garden. Those interested should contact Dane at dmrasmussen18@gmail.com or Perry Heppler at pheppler@lpslancer.net. For garden updates and photos, request to join the Hollywood Garden Facebook page.

Giving Tree Program

Hollywood Elementary's Annual Giving Tree Program will be digital this year.

The tradition continues; it will just look different from year's past. Since our Parent Teacher Conferences will be virtual this year, so will our Giving Tree! Each child represented on the tree may receive personal hygiene products (toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, body wash, etc.), in addition to other holiday treasures. Please consider selecting a STAR off our Virtual Giving Tree and adopting a child or family, see the link on our website at lpslancers.net, under the Hollywood tab. Complete the process by emailing the information to phazzardreed@lpslancer.net. All treasures are due back to school by December 4, wrapped with the labels, family letter and child number. Mrs. Hazzard-Reed will ensure proper delivery!

Fall Decorating Contest

The annual Harvest Festival pumpkin decorating/scarecrow contest looked a little different this year!

Students created pumpkins at home and submitted entries via email. We had 51 amazing entries! The whole school then voted and chose winners in 10 different categories. Winners received Hollywood spirit wear donated by our PTO.

Video Announcements Starring Our Student Leaders

At Hollywood Elementary, it's been a long standing tradition to have students read our morning announcements.

This year, we are videoing our announcements. Students applied and auditioned to be on the announcement team, and now have the opportunity to record announcements for the whole school to watch. We have daily segments like: lunch choice, birthdays, upcoming events, daily ***Leader In Me*** habit boosters, and the student favorite, "joke of the day!".

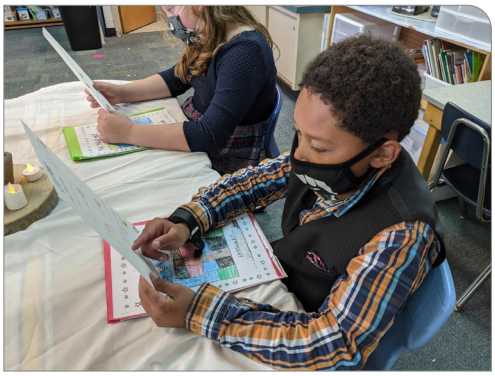
Not only are team members finding their voice, but the video announcements are giving our students a face-to-face connection.

THANK YOU

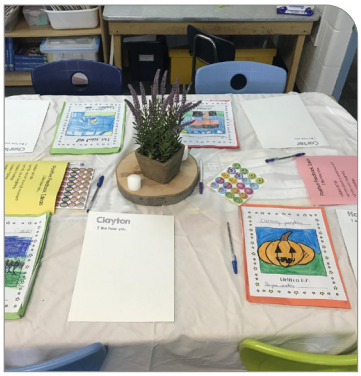
A huge thank you to Chris Thompson at Farmer's Insurance for the *Adopt A Classroom* funds to purchase soccer balls, four square balls and footballs for the playground. Thank you!

Writing Celebration

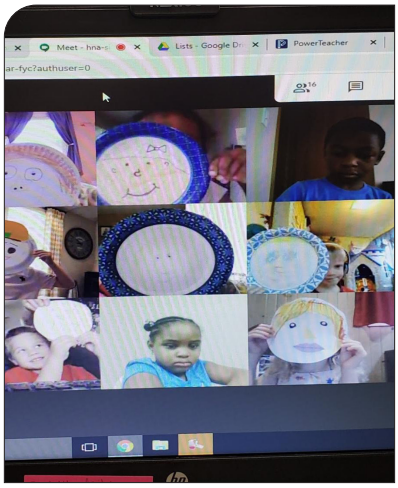
Second graders in Mrs. Erickson's class recently held a writing celebration upon completion of their ***Small Moment Writing*** unit! Students dressed up, read each other's stories and gave their classmates positive feedback. Students enjoyed a "fancy setting" in their classroom on this special day. Later, children were able to bring home a writing portfolio full of their *Small Moment* stories.



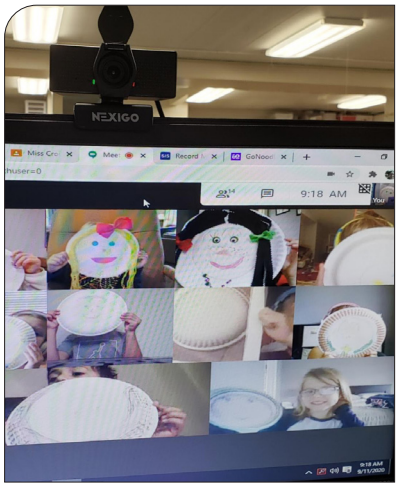
Students read feedback that was left for them from their peers.



Mrs. Erickson had tablecloths on all of the desks, as well as flowers and electric tealight candles, as part of the centerpieces. The students were proud to share their work.



Kindergarteners in Miss Crockett's class did a fun "*getting to know you*" project at the beginning of the year. The students made paper plate faces of themselves and shared them on the screen.



Virtual Academy

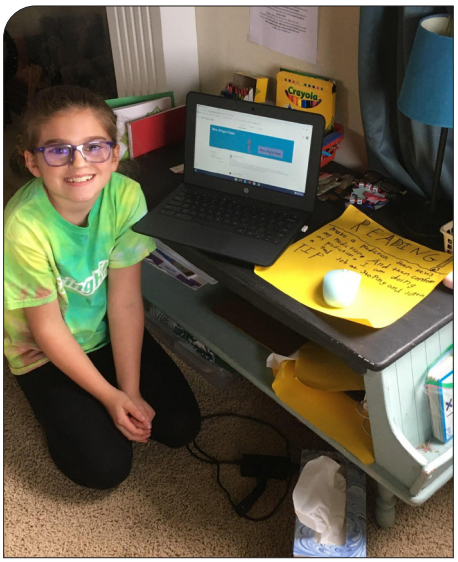
Lakeshore Virtual Academy

Grounded in Tradition is still something that our online learners will learn from afar this school year.

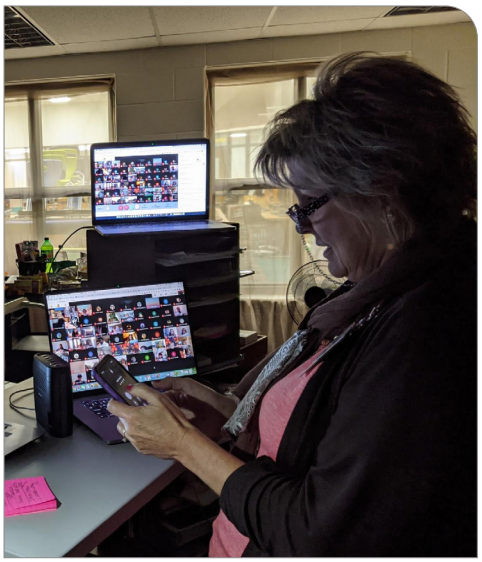
Lakeshore elementary teachers have stepped into unfamiliar territories with love, passion, and excitement for this new adventure while keeping the traditions and excellence that our families are used to receiving from Lakeshore Public Schools.

Students who selected to participate in ***Lakeshore Virtual Academy (LVA) K-5*** this Fall Semester gained the knowledge and expertise of a Lakeshore classroom teacher and have the opportunity to learn using the same curriculum as the face-to-face students. The experience of using the same curriculum allowed our students to embark on this virtual learning journey with a bit more ease, as they already knew many of the expectations from these programs.

Our virtual elementary students are learning many new skills within the realm of technology as well as how to maintain focus, and how to manage their work time from home. Lakeshore Virtual Academy students participate in all of the core subjects with live instruction via Google Meet or Zoom daily. Students interact with their classroom teachers multiple times throughout a day. LVA students are adapting well to this new style of learning and are flourishing within the field of technology and online skills, while keeping a focus on Lakeshore's traditions and expectations of excellence. Way to go, LVA!



Student enjoying the Virtual Academy.



5th Grade LVA teacher, Lori Kuntz, getting ready to play some music for her class.

Yoga In Elementary Classrooms

Ms. Anderson and Mrs. Dewey's classes at Stewart Elementary started doing yoga weekly last school year. At first, students would listen to stories with yoga moves embedded in the stories. They also began to work on controlling their breathing as a way to control their bodies, emotions and feelings.

A few short weeks into the practice, students began learning yoga flows. They began to see real results after just a few weeks - poses were easier to control, flexibility improved and their confidence soared.

They were more prepared to tackle academic tasks after a short yoga session, as it helped to improve their mood and energy level.

Wanting to incorporate yoga in a more consistent manner, Ms. Anderson applied for a grant to get yoga mats for the students. She was hopeful that using the mats would help the students understand better how to control their bodies in their space. While the grant didn't come through, the yoga practice continued and still continues this school year.

During these unprecedented times, students have been able to keep yoga as a constant, they can practice yoga as a class both in person and virtually.

Food Drive at Roosevelt Elementary

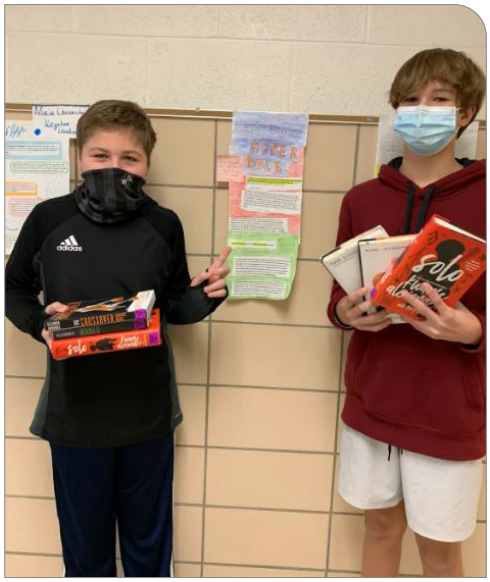
Students at Roosevelt Elementary enjoyed their week of giving during the annual food drive. The food collected goes directly to our Roosevelt families.

Mrs. Whitt's kindergarten students created a shape monster with Art Teacher Ms. Anderson.

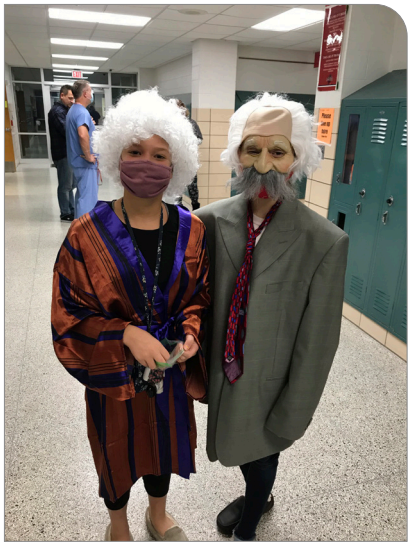
Making the Most of It!

Just a glimpse of some of the amazing images you may find in the 2020-2021 Lakeshore Middle School yearbook.

The 2020-2021 yearbook is titled, "Making the Most of It!". This yearlong project is a point of pride for Lakeshore Middle School students and staff. The images on these two pages consist of athletics, dress up days, and student achievement.



Pictured at left are two groups of students who read an awesome amount of books during the first marking period. They were asked to focus on one author for their book choices. These groups read three books by the same author! The students got to *know* the author as they read, and created a poster highlighting his specific character craft techniques.



Follow @PrincipalYauch on Twitter for more Lakeshore High School Student accomplishments.

Congratulations to Claire Gourlay and Bella Parker for earning Individual Academic All-State Honors from the Michigan Interscholastic Golf Coaches Association this fall!!

Congratulations to Race Bettich on Breaking the LHS School Record (15:46.49) at the MHSAA Pre-Regional held in Vicksburg. The record was previously held by Andrew Lawrick (15:52.6). Way to go Race!

Congratulations to the LHS Girls Golf Team Who Earned Academic All-State Honors! Team members: Lydia Bixby, Paige Gardiner, Claire Gourlay, Bella Parker, and Elle Winkelmann and Head Coach Jill McNabnay.

MENA-SEA Teacher Fellow Wins First Place in 2020 Outstanding Lesson Plan Competition

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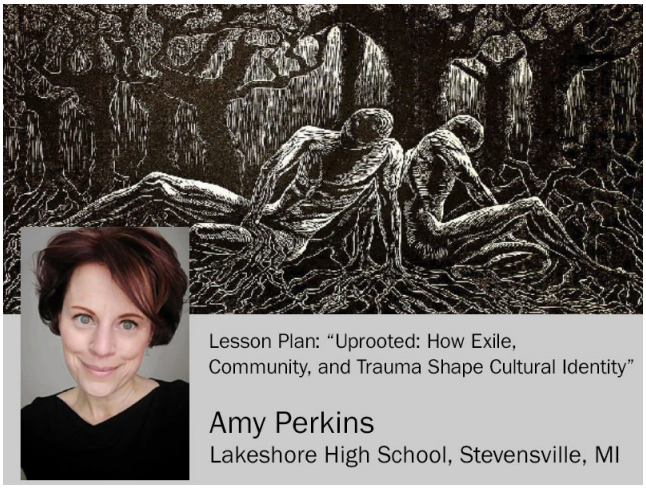
Lesson Plan: "Uprooted: How Exile, Community, and Trauma Shape Cultural Identity"
Amy Perkins
Lakeshore High School, Stevensville, MI

Amy Perkins, 2019/20 MENA-SEA Teacher Fellow, wins First Place in a national-level competition organized by the Center for Middle Eastern Studies (CMES) for her lesson plan "Uprooted: How Exile, Community, and Trauma Shape Cultural Identity."

Amy Perkins' lesson plan "Uprooted: How Exile, Community, and Trauma Shape Cultural Identity" won First Place in a national-level competition organized by the Center for Middle Eastern Studies (CMES), a National Resource Center (NRC) at the University of Arizona. The annual competition in Middle East-related lesson plans is open to teachers of all grade levels (K-12) and content areas.

Perkins, who teaches AP World History and U.S. History at Lakeshore High School in Stevensville, Michigan, created the lesson plan during her participation in the 2019-2020 MENA-SEA Teacher Program, a ten-month collaboration between the NRCs of the Center for Southeast Asian Studies and the Center for Middle Eastern & North African Studies at U-M. Funded by Title VI grants from the U.S. Department of Education, the program trains a cohort of Grade 6-12 educators in deepening their understanding and appreciation of religious and cultural diversity in the regions of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) and of Southeast Asia (SEA). Perkins' lesson invites students to conduct a comparative study of Palestinian and Native American experiences.

Her second lesson plan produced in the program, "Sacred Sites, Evolving Spaces," leads high school students in exploring ancient structures in the Abrahamic tradition as guideposts for charting historical developments and current realities. Both lesson plans will be shared on CMES' website with fellow educators across the U.S. and the world. (They have been published as well on CMENAS'

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Virtually Speaking ...

AP US History students met (virtually) with their German partners at Gustav-Heinemann-Oberschule in Berlin.

Together, the students have spent the past month discussing the American political system and the 2020 election. (It's been an enlightening experience for everyone!) At a time when we can't travel the world, it's certainly nice to have the facilities and the technology to facilitate important transatlantic conversations. **A HUGE thanks to the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation** for renovating our classroom (the LGI) and to the Transatlantic Outreach Program for coordinating such wonderful learning opportunities. Danke schön.

The Transatlantic Outreach Program (TOP) is a public/private partnership that promotes education about contemporary Germany, fosters intercultural dialogue, and provides the opportunity for North American social studies educators, STEM educators, and decision makers to experience Germany.

MENA-SEA, PERKINS -- CONTINUED

and CSEAS' websites.) Perkins will receive an honorarium and books for her classrooms.

"I'm thrilled to read this announcement and equally thrilled to know that my [lessons] may be of use to teachers throughout the country," replied Perkins to the notification of the award. "So many of us are working in isolation, trying desperately to make our content relevant and meaningful to our students while also demonstrating compassion for their emotional well-being." She continued, "I'll be sure to share the good news with my MENA-SEA Teacher Program Coordinator, Rima Hassouneh. Her program and her personal insights inspired much of the content included in both lessons."

LAKESHORE LANCERS

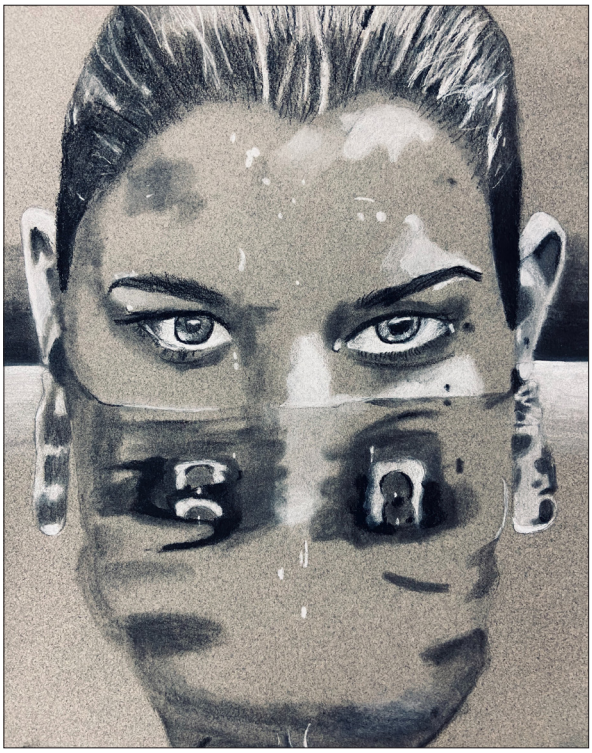
50 National Honor Society Inductees

The Clara L. Myers chapter of the National Honor Society will be inducting 50 new members.

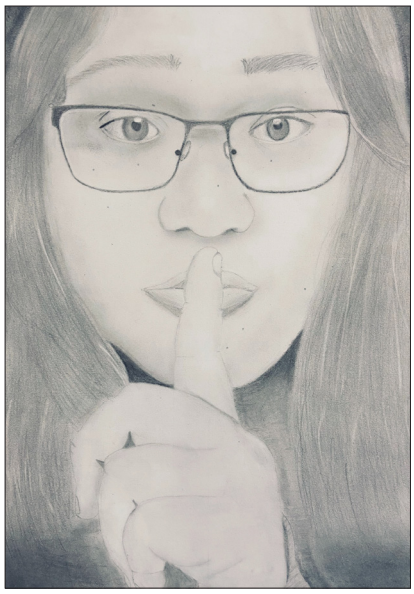
Despite the pandemic and last year's quarantine, our high school students have found ways to demonstrate their leadership and service in the community all while maintaining an excellent academic record. Their hard work and dedication will be rewarded during a virtual induction ceremony at the end of this month. Please watch for the link to the ceremony on the Lakeshore website. Current NHS members Abigail Baker, Carson Clark, Nathan Marohn, and Kirsten Miagza will be giving speeches on leadership, scholarship, service, and character, the four pillars of the National Honor Society. An introduction from Principal Jeff Yauchstetter and closing remarks from advisors Alaina Kinney and Christine Sloan will complete the ceremony. We hope you take a moment to stop by virtually, and if you happen to see one of our new inductees in the community, congratulate them on their excellent work!

LAKESHORE ART SHOWCASE

ANNABELLE ADAMS, ARTIST

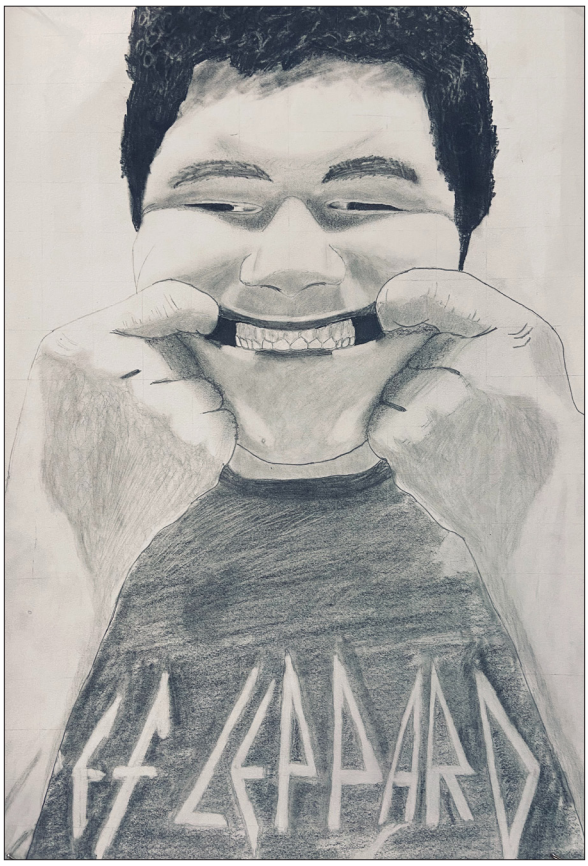


ABBY RICE, ARTIST



LIZABETH PIEDRA, ARTIST

KELSEY WOLF, ARTIST



JACOB HARDY, ARTIST

SOFIA HERNANDEZ, ARTIST

Lakeshore High School art students hone their sculpting skills with practice on pumpkins and apples.

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